



AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
GROUP 1614
PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q54487

Eiko MASATSUJI, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/492,763

Group Art Unit: 1614

Confirmation No.: 1343

Examiner: V. Kim

Filed: January 27, 2000

For: DERMAL AGENT

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ATTN: BOX AF
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants submit herewith, a petition and fee to extend the time period for reply to the Office Action dated April 9, 2002, to August 9, 2002. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

2. (Twice Amended) A dermal agent according to claim 1, said dermal agent having activity as an antibacterial.

3. (Twice Amended) A dermal agent according to claim 2, said dermal agent having an inhibitory effect on growth of *Propionibacterium*.